Well, sir/madam, I ask because technology plays a vital role in today’s society. This generation lives and breathes technology; technology is everywhere these students look, and every place they go. I can see where you are coming from when you say that some teachers don’t like “them” and don’t use “them” that much, but the truth is, the students are much more technologically advanced than us teachers. We did not grow up in a time where technology was this advanced, nor could technology be used as a means of communication for those students with disabilities. I’m sure the teachers within this school use the computer for communicative purposes; however, much more can be done with these technology tools found within the classrooms.

I believe that the incorporation of technology throughout the curricula is extremely important and can be both beneficial to the students and teachers alike; not to mention, may address the concept of UDL (Universal Design for Learning) by providing many technology-based alternatives for teaching lessons. A teacher is able to achieve many possibilities with a single computer; students are able to create their own movies to share what they have learned throughout a unit of study, can create a podcast to demonstrate the speaking and storytelling abilities, and much, much more! The students in today’s generation are from the “digital age,” and in order to reach these students and ensure they achieve at their maximum achievement level, technology is a must!

**Before taking this class, my view of technology was similar to that of the principal’s idea in the above context. I had stated before that technology is useful; however, I did not realize how many different opportunities technology brings when implemented in a classroom. Throughout the semester I have not only learned how vital technology is in today’s society, but how useful it can be when addressing the needs of students, and differentiating material to accommodate each one of your student’s needs. I have broadened my outlook on technology and its usefulness in the classroom. I have discovered that technology can be incorporated into almost every subject throughout many grade levels. I believe it is crucial that every teacher be familiar with the numerous possibilities that technology has to offer, and learn how to use the technology being provided. I plan to make the most out of the technology I am provided in my future years of teaching, and incorporate the use of technology frequently - to spark interest in my students and eliminate boring pencil and paper, and book and lecture traditions whenever possible!**